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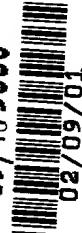
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Enclosed are:

- A specification consisting of 51 pages
- sheet(s) of drawings
- An assignment of the invention - \$40.00 Recording Fee
- Certified copy of Priority Document(s)
- Executed Declaration Original Photocopy
- Applicant claims small entity status in accordance with 37 CFR 1.27
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Sir:

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A certified copy of the above-noted application(s) is(are) attached hereto. Also enclosed are the verified English translation(s) of the above-noted priority application(s).

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